Anti-Rabies Vaccine

2282. PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Abhayarab, an anti-rabies vaccine manufactured by M/s Human Biological Institute, Udayamangalum, Tamil Nadu has been found to be of a substandard quality; and

(b) if so, the action taken against the company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Blacklisted companies supplying spurious drugs

2283. PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M/s Karnataka Antibiotics and Pharmaceuticals Limited has been blacklisted by certain State Governments for supplying spurious drugs; and

(b) if so, the action Government propose to take against this company and other defaulters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) As per the feedback available from Drugs Control Administration, Karnataka, M/s Karnataka Antibiotics and Pharmaceutical' Ltd. has not been blacklisted by Karnataka State Government for supplying spurious drugs.

(b) Does not arise.

Prevention of break out of contagious diseases during the rainy season

2284. SHRI CHO S. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many contagious diseases break out during the rainy season in the country;